Mending the Old Flag.

BY WILL. CARLETON

In the silent gloom of a garret room, With cobwebs 'round it creeping, From day to day the old flag lay-A veteran worn and sleeping. Dingfly old, each wrinkled fold By the dust of years was shaded; Wounds of the storm were upon its form: The crimson stripes were faded.

Twas a mournful sight in the day-twilight This thing of humble seeming. That once so proud o'er a cheering crowd, Had carried its colors gleaming; Stained with mould were the braids of gold. That had flashed in the sun-rays kissing. Of faded hue was its field of blue,

And some of the stars were missing. Three Northern maids and three from glades Where dreams the southland weather. With glances kind and their arms entwined

Came up the stairs together; They gazed awhile with a thoughtful smile At the crouching form before them: With clinging folds they grasped its folds. And out of darkness bore them

They healed its sears, they found its stars, And brought them all together (Three Northern maids and three from glade Where smiles the southland weather); They mended away through the summer day,

Made glad by an inspiration To fling it high at the smiling sky On the birthday of our nation. In the brilliant glare of the summer air,

With a brisk breeze 'round it creeping, Newly bright through the glistening light, The flag went grandly sweeping; Gleaming and bold were its braids of gold, And flashed in the sun-cay's kissing: Red, white and blue were of deepest hue, And none of the stars were missing. -Harper's Weekly.

White Oaks.

The shaft of the Little Homestake is down fifty-five feet. At the surface the vein was rich; down to fifty feet it had been nearly barren twenty feet. There the "pay" began to come in again; the "pay" began to come in again; some speck gold is now visible and the mine looks very promising. This vein is vertical, unlike most of those in Baxter mountain. The majority dip very strongly.

The Baxter leads have been well traced during two weeks past up to the flanks of Carizo southwest. In one free gold appears very near the surface. All yield good looking rock and will warrant development.

There have been several strikes on the southerly slope of Lone Mountain. Brothers and Wilson, Brent and Robertson, and Captain Kempton have leads very similar to the Little Mack and yielding fair assays for surface.

The north tunnel of the Homestake is in two hundred feet. Hope to be able to report that they are in the great

The past week has been very dull; few strangers in town. It being court week in Lincoln half the town has been

The murderer of Mr. Abeal was sent to Lincoln last night. It speaks well for the law-abiding character of the people that he was left to the law.

Whiteman is adding a building 35x16 feet to his already large store. That his business demands it, tells how business flourishes in the new town.

Colonel Blake has returned from Topeka. -- Socorro Miner.

What Troubles Mr. Blaine.

The main trouble on Mr. Blaine's mind, however, just at this moment is Secretary Windom. While the Secretary of State and the Postmaster-General have been posturing at the White House, Mr. Windom has been steadily at work on his own hook, and it is rumored here that he has managed to make one or two "seven-league" strides toward the succession. Mr. Windom would be in a very good position to offer himself as a compromise to the Stalwart faction in 1884, for he has taken good care to let them know, during the recent fight in New York, that his sympathies were really with Mr. Conkling and his friends. It is notorious that he is ready to do all in his power to prevent the New York susteen. House from her the New York custom House from being used as a political engine against the Stalwarts, and before the President received his wound, Secretary Windom gave out semi-officially that no discrimination would be made against Mr. Conkling's friends and sup-porters. Mr. Windom's financial policy, deservedly or undeservedly, has won popularity for him, and it is a popularity that is likely to last him until the close of the present Presidential term.—New York Hour.

The Bishop's Garden.

If any one wants to see what sort of a fruit-growing country this is, let him go to the Bishop's Garden about this time. We venture to say he will be astonished. As a rule, the native population does not take the trouble to raise good fruit, and the American element does not find the time. It does not come here for that purpose. But the Bishop has paid attention to this branch of horticulture and the returns are enormous. If a little care were given to trimness and order in the grounds, and some time devoted to flowers as well as fruit, the garden would then be well as fruit, the garden would then be a second Eden. The lake is rather slimy, but the fish with which it is crowded are healthy and active. The fountain in the placita of the Bishop's residence is well worth seeing, and the Bishop himself seems to delight in showing visitors the chieft many showing visitors the objects most worthy of attention, and chatting with them on social topics generally.-Santa Fe Democrat.

A Pretty Romance. A past event of romantic and tragic A past event of romantic and tragic interest is recalled by the death of Spotted Tail. Shortly after the war a battalion of the second dragoons was ordered to Fort Laramie, and there Lieutenant Brockhurst Livingston, of the well-known New York family, saw and loved the favorite daughter of the

old Sioux chief, and found his passion reciprocated. The young officer took her to his house and she bore him a son, but Livingston's health failed and he was ordered to Europe, where he died. The Sioux girl died of a broken heart in 1866, after learning of his death, and was carried to Fort Laramie by her father and there buried. Her grave is still annually decorated with flowers by still annually decorated with flowers by the soldiers. The mother of the young officer has sought to find and educate his son, but the Sioux, either because they have lost sight of him or because they wish to keep him, give no trace of his whefeabouts

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